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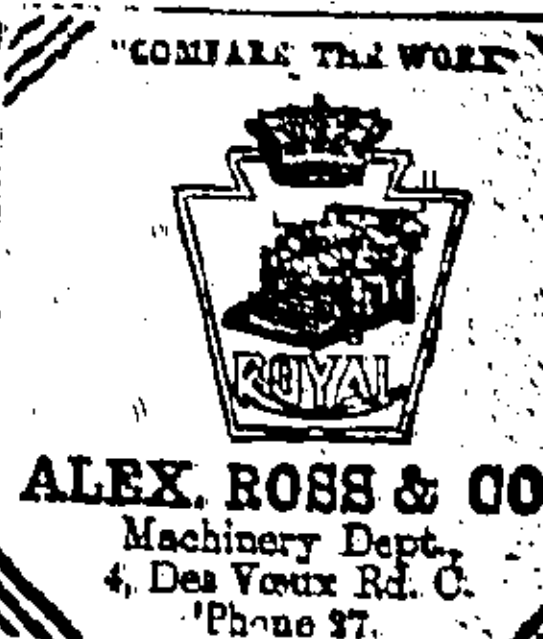
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LOWER PASSAGE RATES, PANAMA.

NEW MONTHLY SERVICE TO SHANGHAI.

LONDON, December 10.
The Times correspondent at Rotterdam says the Netherlands Steamship Company and the Rotterdam Lloyd have decided to open a regular monthly service between Hamburg, Shanghai, and Yokohama. These companies were recently admitted to the eastern conference.

PRIZE BOUNTY.

£1,500 EACH FOR SUBMARINE SAILORS.

LONDON, December 10.
The Privy Council has awarded the crew of the famous submarine E14 £30,000 as prize bounty for sinking a Turkish transport with 6,000 troops and 200 crew in the sea of Marmara in 1915. A prize court had previously refused the bounty on the ground that the transport was not an armed ship. The bounty goes exclusively to the crew of the E14, numbering only about a score. It thus represents the biggest haul of prize money in the war.

LANCASHIRE COTTON MILLS IN DEMAND.

85 SOLD FOR £24,000,000.

LONDON, December 10.
Big sales of cotton mills in Lancashire continue. The Directors of the Vatherlane company have accepted an offer of a million and a half sterling for the Leigh mills, possessing 100,000 spindles. It is calculated that 85 mills have changed hands, in deals representing £24,000,000.

PRESIDENT WILSON AND MEXICO.

WASHINGTON, December 10.
Senators Fall and Hitchcock, who were delegated to confer with President Wilson regarding the Mexican crisis, also to report whether the president by reason of illness will be unable to exercise his duties, after a forty-five minutes conference at the White House agreed that Mr. Wilson was in touch with recent developments and mentally keen enough to form judgments on the questions confronting the nation. Mr. Wilson said too many serious conditions were involved in the Mexican situation to warrant hasty action.

POPE INTERVENES.

JAPAN YIELDS.

ROME, December 10.
German missionaries in Shantung have complained to the Vatican because the Japanese government has sequestered mission property. They telegraphed the Archbishop at Tokyo, entrusting him to ask the Government to revoke the unjustified measure. The reply has arrived at the Vatican announcing that the Japanese Government has revoked the sequestration. Reuter's Tokyo correspondent confirms this.

U. S. MULTIMILLIONAIRE'S WILL.

\$117,000,000 FOR EDUCATION.

NEW YORK, December 10.
The will of the recently deceased steel magnate Henry Frick, after setting aside twenty-five million dollars for his wife and daughter, divides the entire remaining 117 millions to philanthropic uses. Princeton receives fifteen-million, Harvard and the Massachusetts institute of technology five million each. His New York residence, with its art contents valued at fifty millions, is left to the widow for life, after which it goes to the city as an art museum.

SENSATIONAL JEWEL ROBBERY.

BURGULARS MAKE BIG HAUL.

TWO SHOPS ENTERED.

After a lull of about a couple of months our local shop burglars have again commenced operations, completing a night's work by getting away with jewellery valued at between \$15,000 and \$20,000, from Messrs. Sheriff Bros., 30, Queen's Road Central. The scene of the robbery is right in the heart of the city, and the circumstances point to a gang of burglars of considerable daring and skill being again in our midst. Two shops were entered, one of them in spite of the presence of a Chinese night watchman. The burglars first broke into the premises occupied by Madame Flint formerly known as the Victoria Dispensary. A knowledge on the part of the robbers of the plan of the shop was revealed by the way in which they got to work. Entrance was effected from the door of Bank Buildings, in Wyndham Street. This door, on being shut for the night, is protected by big padlock from the inside, which was found broken off. It can only be assumed that someone must have secreted himself under the dark staircase before the door was closed and after attacking the padlock allowed access to others. Once inside, the gang speedily made their way into Madame Flint's. There is a thin wooden partition between the staircase and the shop, working the whole time in the darkness under the stairs, the robbers broke in. Getting through this hole, they were close by a room in which many valuable dresses were kept but apparently they were not after goods of this description for nothing was disturbed. It is true that they attempted, unsuccessfully, to open one safe but generally, they paid little attention to this shop. A valuable brooch which had been left by a customer on a counter was overlooked. Travelling

the whole length of the store the thieves began their work of getting into the next shop. This they accomplished by cutting another hole through the wooden partition. To reach this they smashed up a couple of show cases lining the wall and after that it was easy work. The hole measures about 24 ins., by 10 ins., and was cut close to the floor. The only obstacle then barring their entrance to the Jeweller's shop was a big show case standing flush with the wall and this they managed to prise away for a sufficient distance. Having got through they attacked the show cases and safes, the latter, numbering five, being situated at the rear of the premises. Only one safe was successfully opened which contained precious stones and gold jewellery. Another of the safes bore the marks of a drill being used on it, but the gang had to leave before they could complete their task. The various show cases were rifled of stones, jewellery etc., of an estimated value of from \$15,000 to \$20,000. The loss is not covered by insurance.

The robbers left the same way they entered, making a stand of boxes and chairs in order to climb to the hole leading to the staircase more easily. Detective Inspector Willis came down and inspected the premises and took the Chinese night watchman to the station. The robbery was first discovered in Messrs. Sheriff Bros. when one of the partners came at about 7 a.m. and found one of the lights still burning. On entering the shop another light at the back was found to be burning and then the burglary was revealed. Further investigations led to the finding of the hole in the partition. In this shop, it should be mentioned, a light is kept burning all night and holes are cut in the shutters giving a full view. On seeing the broken partition the partner went to Madame Flint's, this leading to the discovery of the other shop.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR INDIA.

LONDON, December 4th.
The House of Commons, in committee, discussed the Government of India Bill. Mr. Montagu, in the course of the debate, said it was hoped to have elections in India next November and let the legislative assemblies meet in January 1921. The Government intended to ask Parliament gradually to surrender its trusteeship in favour of the Indian electorate, but Mr. Montagu had to be great. When once the Bill was passed, the progress of India to complete self-government would be irresistible, but the ship must not be overloaded by doing this at once.

Later, an amendment including Burma in the scope of the measure was withdrawn, after Mr. Montagu stated that he agreed that Burma must get self-government analogous to India, subject to local differences.

An amendment in favour of the enfranchisement of women in India was rejected by 302 votes to 67.

A "REGRETTABLE INCIDENT."

LONDON, December 4th.
Considerable attention has been attracted to the case of an Australian Army Chaplain, Father O'Donnell, who was recently arrested in Ireland on a charge of disloyal language against Their Majesties.

He was handed over to the Australian authorities, was court-martialled and acquitted. The subject was raised in Parliament, particularly regarding the treatment meted out to him pending his trial.

London, December 4th.
In the House of Commons, Mr. John Devlin asked Mr. Winston Churchill to express condemnation of Father O'Donnell's arrest and treatment, and asked what reparation would be offered to him for the insult and humiliation he had suffered and the expense to which he had been put.

Mr. Churchill said that he could not be expected to express regret for an action in which neither he nor his subordinate had acted wrongfully. He agreed that the occurrence was a regrettable one. He paid a tribute to the Australians, who were dear to us, for they had opened the seas to flight. Father O'Donnell deserved special respect as a priest, but the principal witness for the prosecution at the court-martial also had a very distinguished record.

THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, December 4th.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Lloyd George said he anticipated that the House would rise from December 23rd until early in February. He pointed out that the session had been unprecedentedly heavy, and with a view not to waste the time expended upon the number of important reconstruction measures, the House would be asked to alter the Standing Orders so that the Bills could be taken up at the next session, at the stage where they had been left.

CARPENTIER'S GREAT VICTORY.

LONDON, December 4th.

Georges Carpentier beat Joe Beckett.

Beckett was knocked out in the first round.

LONDON, December 4th.
The first and final round in this described—Carpentier rushed and got home a left to Beckett's head; it was a light blow. Then Beckett tried for the body; Carpentier feinted with his left, then brought his right hand on Beckett's jaw, knocking him out.

LATER.
Carpentier led with his left to the jaw. Beckett, hardly got a good punch home before he was floored. Beckett fell with a tragic thud. There was never any chance of his rising again within the time. When the ten seconds had expired there was a terrific roar of cheering which did not subside when Beckett returned to consciousness. He seemed quite unaware of what had happened. The whole bout did not exceed two minutes.

After the fight, Carpentier was carried round the ring shoulder high. The Prince of Wales, who was present, shook hands with the winner and the loser. The duration of the fight is officially returned as 74 seconds. The news of the result greatly excited the members of the House of Commons, who deserted the House during a speech by Mr. Winston Churchill.

THE ITALIAN SENATE.

ROME, December 4th.
Signor Tittoni has been appointed President of the Senate.

PREMIER DEFENDS THE COALITION.

Mr. Lloyd George, in a speech at the Manchester Reform Club, addressing the gathering as fellow Liberals, pointed out that Party had been disappearing in the past three years. His separation therefore that the conditions within the Liberal party had deepened, but reasons affecting the whole country had made the split imperative. Though there was no disagreement on questions of principle he had done his utmost to avert the split, but he would have been a traitor if he had acted otherwise than he did, because he believed that unless a new spirit was imparted into the party, the Allied cause would have been lost. The continuance of national unity was still as necessary as in war-time. Party conflict should not yet be resumed.

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GEO. P. LAMMERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, December 10, 1919.

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Hongkong, December 3, 1919.

HONGKONG POLICE.

THE HONGKONG POLICE VIC-
TORY BALL will be held at the
CITY HALL, on WEDNESDAY, 17th
December, 1919. Dancing to com-
mence at 9 p.m.

WM. HENDERSON, Sgt.
Hon. Secretary.
Central Police Station.
Hongkong, November 24, 1919.

NORTH CHINA INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE OFFICES of the above Com-
pany have this day been removed
to No. 3, Queen's Buildings, (Chater
Road).
Hongkong, December 8, 1919.

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER
COMPANY, (1919) LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that
the first ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of Shareholders will be
held at the Offices of the Company,
St. George's Building, (Chater Road),
Victoria, Hongkong, on SATURDAY,
the 20th December, 1919, at 11.30
o'clock, in the forenoon, for the purpose
of receiving a statement of accounts and
the Report of the General Managers for
the 14 months ending 30th September,
1919, and electing a Consulting Com-
mittee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from MON-
DAY, the 15th December, 1919, until
SATURDAY, the 20th December, 1919,
both days inclusive.

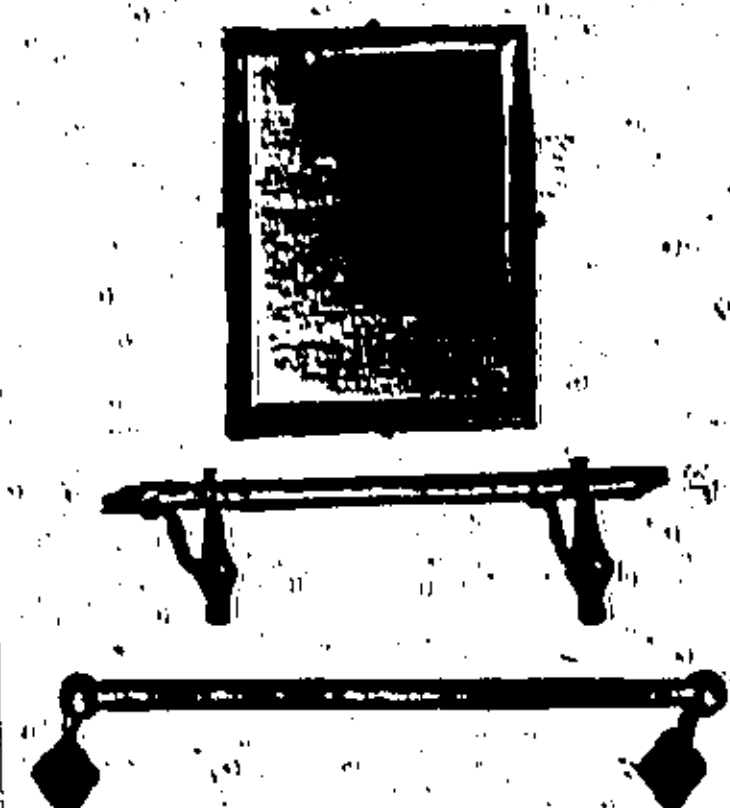
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THE DALMATIAN UNDER
THE CAR

BY JAMES J. MONTAGUS.

A Dalmatian dog is, a dog that
always looks as if he had been play-
ing under a fountain in Pittsburgh.
That is why they keep them around
fire engine houses. A white or
mauve dog after attending a fire
would return badly spotted. The
Dalmatian is spotted anyway, so all
that time that would be required to
wash a white or mauve dog is saved,
giving the fireman more leisure to
polish the engine and sell tickets to
the next fireman's ball.

I never knew just what a dog's
duties were at a fire, but they must
be important. I never saw a fire
engine dash down the street without
a dog, usually a Dalmatian, in gallop-
ing attendance.

My Dalmatian came into the family
because of the march of progress.
For three months he tried pathetically
to keep up with the new motor fire
engine, as he had kept up with the
horses. But he arrived later at fires,
and often in the event of a trivial
blaze the returning engine would
meet him, tongue extended and drip-
ping foam, on his way to answer the
alarm.

There is no surer way to bring
about a physical breakdown than
to attempt stubbornly to do some-
thing that is beyond your capacity.
Jaded and worn, his vitality reduced
to a minimum and his morale com-
pletely broken, the creature would
stand at the door of the fire house
as the engine rushed forth and lift
his voice in a low moan of despair.

It was too much for the kindly
firemen. He was breaking their
hearts, so they tied a can to him
and sent him away.

One of the children found him,
worried and panting, by the road-
side, detached the can and brought
him in. Rest and nursing soon did
wonders for him. In three weeks he
was able to keep up with our little
flivver, which, considering the fact
that his heart and wind were still bad,
was something of an accomplish-
ment. After that, he went every-
where with us, always trotting direct-
ly under the differential. As time
wore on, the dripping grease added a
few spots to his mural adornment,
but unless you knew him you never
would have noticed it.

We soon discovered that, unlike
the country from which his ancestors
came, he was too proud to fight.
This discovery was also made by a
large mean dispositioned mongrel
who lived six blocks up the street.

The mongrel learned to distinguish
the rattle of our car from that of
all the other cars in town. When
he heard it he would leap lightly
over the fence, stand at alert on the

curb, and as we passed dart
behind our rear wheels. Then
there would be a couple of snarls
and a shrill yelp of terror, whereupon
we would stop, alight and with a
stilted wince and a pair of pliers
drive the bully back to his kennel.
We never did this, however, before
serious damage had been inflicted on
our Dalmatian.

After this had happened six or
seven times we began to weary of it.
Of course we could have gone by
another street or have tied up our
dog, but this would have been a con-
fession of defeat. To be forced to
surrender to a mere mongrel
was unthinkable. Something had to
be done.

It was clear to us that this some-
thing would never be done by our
Dalmatian. His pride still prevented
him from taking any part in the
battle save that of a bad and com-
plaining loser. He would never even
go so far as to retreat to a safer
position when the attack was made.
He just waited till he was bitten and
then howled for assistance.

Several councils of war were held
in vain. Then one day we had an
inspiration. A friend in another town
owned a brisk and ambitious bull
terrier, whose weight and general
appearance was much the same as
that of the Dalmatian. Next morn-
ing we borrowed him.

Camouflaging him to represent a
Dalmatian was a little difficult, owing
to his pronounced objections, but
with a marking brush and pot it was
finally managed. We spent another
week training him to follow the
flivver, employing several beefsteaks
in the job.

Then we were ready. Down the
street we went, the false Dalmatian
trotting easily behind. Over the fence
bounded the belligerent mongrel,
growing his eagerness to resume a
long interrupted pastime.

We stepped on the gas. The car
flew forward. The masked mar-
vel, paying no attention to the approach-
ing enemy, accelerated his pace to
keep up.

There was a rush and an impact.
Five minutes later we gathered up
the limp form of the mongrel and
laid it gently on its own side of the
fence. It was still breathing, and,
we learned afterward, made a re-
covery that was remarkable in view
of the fact that there were few unrodded
patches on its surface when the battle
was over. Bull terriers are thorough.

You have to admit that, no matter
what you think about them,
To-day the flivver plies freely back
and forth along the same street.
The Dalmatian, in his proper person
and not represented by any other
member of the canine family, occupies
his old place directly underneath the
differential.

AVIATION INSURANCE.

NEW AND PUZZLING FIELD
TO THE COMPANIES
CONCERNED.

Kansas City, Oct. 23.—Flying has
opened a new and puzzling field to
the insurance companies. It has not
yet attained sufficient proportions to
warrant a table of averages, similar
to the American mortality table, upon
which to base premium charges. And
yet, with thousands of planes in the
air, and thousands of men engaged in
this most modern and most hazar-
dous form of transportation, there is
an ever increasing demand for some
form of policy.

A few companies have made
tentative steps in the direction of
aviation insurance. Some are writ-
ing 1-year, non-renewable term life
policies for professional fliers, and
short term accident policies, similar
to the travellers' policies sold at
railway ticket offices, for passengers.
These policies usually cover only
one trip. Public liability and prop-
erty damage insurance for aircraft,
analogous to motor car public
liability and property damage in-
surance, also is being written to a
limited extent.

This insurance is valuable to the
airplane owner or driver, in that it
protects him from damage claims
arising from articles falling from his
plane, or from property destruction
in bad landings. But the risk firms
are compelled to establish their pre-
mium rates blindly. Aviation has not
yet advanced far enough for them to
be able to determine with any degree
of scientific accuracy the liability of
such accidents.

The entire field is fogged with un-
certainty—but the greatest risk of
all is in the personal element. The
safest, most reliable plane made be-
comes dangerous when handled by
an incompetent, unfit or a reckless
pilot. For this reason insurance
companies are urging either federal
or state supervision of fliers—that
pilots be compelled to prove their
physical, mental and moral fitness to
handle a plane before being given a
license, and that their maintenance
of these standards be assured by
frequent examinations.

The companies are emphasizing
the fact that the hazards of flying
are not confined to the men in the
planes, but that persons over which
planes pass are in equal, or greater,
danger.

Only air planes are being insured.
All companies refuse to write policies
on balloons or dirigibles filled with
the highly combustible gases now
used for buoyancy. Helium is the
only gas which fulfills risk require-
ments, and, owing to its expense, it
is not used very extensively.

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KOWLOON NAVAL DEPOT,
respectively, commencing at
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Rafts, Electric Fans, Telephones, An-
chors, Enamelled Iron Baths, Latrines,
Porcelain Water Closets, Booby Hat-
ches, Wood Ladders, Steel Wire Rope
and Hawsers, Carpets, Rugs, Blankets,
Counterpanes, Electric Cable, Canvas
Hooses, Coir Hawsers, Cordage, Paper-
stuff, Canvas, Rags, Old India Rubber,
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Terms of Sale:—As detailed on
Catalogue.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
By Appointment Auctioneers to the
Admiralty.
Hongkong, December 4, 1919.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
ON
SATURDAY,
December 13, 1919, at 12 noon,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Voeux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street.

Several cases Martin's Whisky and
a number of cases Port Wine, to be
sold in small lots to suit buyers.

Terms:—Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, December 10, 1919.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
ON
SATURDAY,
the 13th inst. at 12 noon,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
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Ice House Street.

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ing gear, Engine room Telegraph, lamps,
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further particulars apply to the Under-
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On view day of sale off Statue Pier
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ned.

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HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, December 9, 1919.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
ON
SATURDAY,
December 20, 1919, commencing at
10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms,
No. 8 Des Voeux Road, Corner
of Ice House Street,
A large assortment of
TOYS,
comprising:—

Dolls (large and small), Dolls Beds,
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Kites, Trees, Clocks, Games, Rubber
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bums, Toy Swords and Guns, Kites,
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Terms:—Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, December 10, 1919.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received in-
structions to sell by Public Auc-
tion,
(For Account of the Concerned),
ON

SATURDAY,
December 13, 1919, at 10.30 a.m.,
at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Voeux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
A varied assortment of
Articles
suitable for Xmas presents
comprising:—
Brass Flower Pots and stands,
Brass Jardinieres and Vases, Prismatic
Glasses and Binculars, Leather Felloe
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Trunk, Embroidered Bedspreads and
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Sporting Goods and Xmas Toys.
Comprising:—Boys' Baseball Bats
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And
A varied assortment of Xmas Toys.
On view day of sale.

Terms:—Cash.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, December 6, 1919.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),
ON
THURSDAY,
December 18, 1919, commencing at 2.30
p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,
Des Voeux Road, Corner of
Ice House Street,
Valuable Chinese Porcelains,
Curios,
&c., &c.

Including a large variety of 5-coloured
and 3-coloured Vases, Wall Plates,
Table Screens, Blue and White Vases,
and Lacquer Burners, Old Bronze and
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The above stocks recently arrived
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TOURNAMENT.
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AT 9.15 P.M.

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Between Sergt. SKY KERRISON,
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Between "Peggy" EVANS, E.M.S.
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Champion of Mediterranean
and Seaman HEWLETT, H.M.S.
Arcturion).
- 3.—Eight-round Featherweight Contest.
Between Stoker NEAL, Kowloon
Torpedo Depot,
and Officer's Steward DANIEL,
H.M.S. Arcturion.
- 4.—Six-round Flyweight Contest.
Between Boy ELUSH, H.M.S. Hawkins,
and Boy COLES, H.M.S. Hawkins.
- 5.—Six-round Middleweight Contest.
Between Sergeant ROGERS, Wiltshire
Regiment,
and Seaman WILLOUGHBY, H.M.S.
Hawkins.
- 6.—Six-round Lightweight Contest.
Between Private WOODWARD, Wiltshire
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kindly abstain from visiting the Hotel
as on and from this date until its
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the
lotting by Public Auction Sale, to
be held on MONDAY, the 16th day of
December, 1919, at 2 P.M., at the Office of
the Public Works Department, by Order of
His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of
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of 75 years, with the option of renewal
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DAVISON.—On December 3, at Shanghai, Joseph Gibson Davison, aged 69 years.

BIRTHS.

ISHERWOOD.—On November 27, at Preston, to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Isherwood, of Shanghai, a daughter.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, Dec. 11, 1919.

ADVERSARIA.

It is possible that COMMITTEE Magistrate Wood had FOR TRIAL something more before him than was indicated by our reporter's story yesterday, about the man who was committed for tendering forged Indian banknotes. On the story as it stands, we express surprise that a commitment was made. The Captain of the ship on which the man had been regularly employed for five years gave him a good character; said he believed him honest. That alone proves nothing. The greatest criminal can easily get a certificate of character. A witness confirmed the man's story of where, whence, and why he got the notes. That was circumstantial, but by itself insufficient to convince. Corroboration can almost always be obtained by any liar. The Bank said the forgeries were well executed. That is in favour of the theory of innocence though it

does not prove it. But the cumulative effect of all these things was overwhelmingly in favour of innocent presentation. Had we been the magistrate, we would not have committed the man.

Again we have to admit that the reporter's account of the conduct of the case may have been incomplete, and that the prisoner's advocate may have made a better fight than he is represented to have done. On the story as it stands, this must be our criticism. All that harping on the man's demeanour, whether he was calm, whether he turned pale, was waste of time; either to convict or acquit him. We cannot understand how professional men can be so simple as to suppose these things are evidence. The biggest cheats and the biggest liars can have the most brazen fronts. Have we not the recent instance of a northern contemporary's comment on the appearance of the Count de Toulouse Lautrec de Savigny, of whom it said that "honesty beamed in every line of his face." He was a childish cheat, his frauds all being as transparent as his own mental state, which was one of monomania. After they have bullied him for a while longer, his malady will increase, and he will think he is the Tsar of Russia. But that is incidental.

A Chief Justice in another colony PSYCHOLOGY, confessed to us that he was always influenced by the face and demeanour of an accused or a witness. After we had argued with him about it, taught him some elementary psychology, and lent him a couple of books to support our statements, he was quite impressed; and said he would guard against being too much influenced by looks. The most innocent people can wear the most hang-dog look, especially in such unusual and embarrassing situations. It can happen without that. We were once telling a Hongkong man a perfectly true story, looking him in the eyes as we did so. The thought struck us that his goggle-eyes were singularly like those of a dead fish. Then the thought of what he would think if he could read our thoughts came, and we stammered, lost the thread of the story, flushed, and caused him to believe we had

stuck in the middle of a lie. Shyness is often mistaken for guilt, too. Absent-mindedness leads to sudden embarrassments that are sometimes misconstrued.

The point we would have laboured, WHAT POLLY OR either as magistrates, WHAT NERVE, traitor or as Counsel, was this man's presence at the Bank. If there is one place where planters of flash paper do not go to operate, it is the Bank. Was there, we would have asked, any evidence that the man had tried to cash them elsewhere? Was he, we would have enquired, a stupid person? If he had his natural share of natural cunning, he would never knowingly have taken forged Indian notes to an Indian Bank. Consider that. Does it not stand out as a salient token of his good faith? Here is the occasion of our interest in this case. It is in the public interest. Bad money is common here, we are constantly receiving it, and we are constantly trying to pass it again. Not knowingly, of course. Who looks at small coins? Not us for one. The train conductor spurns our proffer. We look at it then. We do so (we have no doubt) with every outward appearance of a guilty cheat detected in the act of defrauding a poor Chinese brother. That's how we feel at any rate. We are so simple in money matters that we would certainly do what this man did, and pay in bad notes to the Bank in good faith. Would we be arrested in the same way as this poor Chinese steward was? If not, why not?

By a coincidence, just as we wrote those last words, the Editor came in and began to talk about a man "with a weak chin" and "shifty eyes." We started the worthy gentleman with our expletive, and forthwith delivered a lecture on physiognomy. We told him it was bunkum; that in the popular sense of the word it was not a science; that most of the literature on the subject, from Bacon onwards, is rubbish; that by 17 George II. c. 5 (1743) persons pretending to have skill in physiognomy are rogues and vagabonds, and by modern common-sense and science adjudged fools; that the strongest-willed man we know has a "weak chin"; that "shifty eyes" may be a symptom of a purely physical disharmony (we stated a case); and that beyond certain lines and wrinkles caused by a predominant play of features, as the tear ducts, the laughing lines, and the crow's-feet, there is absolutely nothing in it. He said: "I'll come in again when you are in a better temper," so whether we convinced him or not we don't know.

Even the "criminal Lombroso type" of Lombroso OUT OF DATE is no longer believed in by scientific students. Careful statistics by a British jail official (whose name we have forgotten (this was about half a dozen years ago) exploded that long-cherished myth. There are clergymen who come within the category established by Lombroso, clergymen, that is to say, who are not criminals but quite good men. Anthropometry proves nothing; there are too many fatal exceptions. "Phrenology," of course, has long been recognized as pure quackery, without a leg to stand on. It is time physiognomy (a delusion of the Greeks) was classed with it. As for demeanour, there is the famous story of the famous actor, who was showing off. He grimaced, and asked what emotion he represented. "Rage," said a bystander. "Idiot," he said, "that was terror." And so he went on many times, no one guessing correctly, as was natural, seeing there was no contact to guide them. In police cases there is a context, unfortunately. Wasn't there a juryman who said the man must be guilty; otherwise, why would he have been in the dock? Tell your tale of woe to a man with light boots. That harsh, unsympathetic expression that fits over his face isn't what you think. It merely indicates that he has wigged his toes and felt the painful chafing of his leather. The face is not a faithful index of the soul.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

A. A.—It seems to be a persistent rumour, but there is no truth in it. A couple of months or so ago Tom Wright was invited to go to Malaya to edit a paper there; but as the China Mail, regardless of expense, has contracted for his services for a long term of years, he could not have accepted even if he had wanted to. Your alarm is therefore unnecessary.

"Conspiracy in restraint."—That yarn (circulating in the Peak district) is only partly true. The advt. was withdrawn, but no one from the China Mail asked for its renewal. What we did ask for (for purposes which we prefer not to disclose at the moment) was the reason for its withdrawal. We got it.

S.T.—Warn your friend to be more careful what he says. To assert that the China Mail organized the Sheriff burglary in order to "get news for the paper" is actionable. We earnestly assure you that it is not true. We wouldn't undertake a burglary for such an insufficient reason.

SPECIAL CABLES.

CHINESE MERCANTILE MARINE.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 10.

Commissioner Sah of the Government steamship administration has submitted a plan to the ministry of communications to form the nucleus of a Chinese merchant marine from sequestered enemy steamers and build up a Chinese export trade. A favourable decision is anticipated.

OIL STEAMER OVERDUE.

FEARED WRECKED.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, Dec. 10.

There is still no news of the Asiatic Petroleum Company's steamer "Castor" (Captain McDowell) which left Singapore for Haiphong on November 16 with a cargo of kerosene. It is feared she was lost in a typhoon, because wreckage is reported to have been found.

LONG DISTANCE AVIATION.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, Dec. 10.

Captain Ross Smith is flying from Bima direct to Australia.

Later Captain Ross Smith landed at Amboesa, Timor, yesterday.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 5s. 2½d.

H.M.S. "Hawkins" returned to the Harbour, this morning.

To-day's return of communicable disease shows one case of enteric fever.

The quarantine declared by Hongkong against arrivals from Saigon has been withdrawn.

There will be a "tea dance" at Wiseman's this afternoon at 5. Dance tickets, 50 cents, each.

An extraordinary general meeting of the China Borneo Company Ltd., will be held on the 29th inst.

Consignees are reminded that goods per the s.s. "Kasado Maru" not cleared by to-morrow will be subject to rent.

Mr. R. C. Faithfull, formerly of Hongkong, has been appointed legal adviser to the Shanghai Municipal Police.

The Raffle for the Lady's Fur Coat organized by Mrs. Templeton took place at the Hongkong Stock Exchange yesterday and was won by Ticket No. 133.

A combined meeting of the members of the China Coast Officer's Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild will be held to-morrow afternoon at the Guild Office.

A small Chinese boy has been sent to the Hospital suffering from injuries received by being knocked down by a motor car outside the Western Market this morning.

The Hongkong Sketch Club annual exhibition will be held on December 16, and will include 138 exhibits. The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn will officiate as judge and His Excellency the Governor will present the prizes.

COULDN'T FIND A POLICEMAN.

A lady in her motor car knocked a boy down, near Wing Lok Street, this morning, and it was not until she got to the vicinity of the Hongkong Hotel that she was able to report the matter to a European officer. We want more police, not fewer.

MILITARY FUNERAL AT HAPPY VALLEY.

At the Protestant Cemetery at 9 this morning, the remains were laid to rest of the late Captain Weymark R.A.M.C. whose sudden death occurred yesterday morning at the Gun Club Hill Barracks at Kowloon. The coffin which was draped with a Union Jack, rested on a gun carriage, which was drawn by men of the Manchester Regiment. It was followed by a large body of R.A.M.C. men. Among the officers present were: Captain Wilcox (representing H. E. Major-General Ventris); Col. Humphries, Lt.-Col. Crooke, Lt.-Col. Crisp, Major Wakefield, Major Leslie Smith, Captains H. E. Murray, Monteith, Burpel, Archer, and Lt. Thomas Libby, and Bygate.

The Rev. R. A. Bunde, Military Chaplain officiated at the graveside.

Spent your Evenings in a "WALLA WALLA" Laugh.

THE BRIBERY CASE.

PRINCIPAL WITNESS DISAPPEARS.

When the case was called this morning at the Eurasian named Ernest Baker who was remanded on a charge of attempting to obtain a bribe of \$900 with a view of influencing his conduct as a public servant, to do an act of dishonesty, (a dishonest assistant). Chief Detective Inspector Munson told his Worship that he could not proceed with the case as the principal witness was not in Court. Mr. Gardner, for the prosecution, had approached him yesterday and promised to produce the witness in Court this morning, but neither he nor the witness had turned up. He had phoned to Mr. Gardner's office but he was not there.

His Worship: What do you propose to do?—All I can do is to ask your Worship to discharge Mr. Baker, for the present.

His Worship: Would you not like time to find this witness?—Yes, your Worship, that would suit me very well.

Mr. M. K. Lo, for the defence, said that it was not fair for his client who was a young man, to have such a serious charge over his head. He would like to get through with the case as soon as possible.

His Worship said he would grant a short remand on the understanding that if the witness was not produced at the next hearing, the defendant would be discharged.

Mr. Lo said he had it from reliable sources that the principal witness has absconded. Counsel said that he (the witness) had probably realized that if the case proceeded he would have had to go into the dock as well as his (Counsel's) client. Proceeding, Counsel said he had communicated the rumour to the C.D.I., and understood that he had sent men to the witness's house to make enquiries but could not find him.

The C.D.I. said that it was so, but Mr. Gardner had promised him yesterday that he would produce the witness this morning. There was a possibility that the witness would be found.

His Worship (to Mr. Lo): What day will you suit you?—What I am concerned about, your Worship, is that Mr. Dovey has come here to-day for nothing, and I don't know if it would be fair to ask him to attend Court again.

His Worship: I don't want Mr. Dovey. But I do your Worship, I had intended to produce Mr. Dovey to give evidence as to character. I meant, after the case had been dismissed to put my client in the witness box and give him a chance to clear his character.

His Worship said that could be done at the next hearing. After further discussion, the hearing was finally fixed for Saturday morning. Bail in the sum of \$500 was extended.

CUTE THIEVES.

Two Chinese who had probably read Tuesday's China Mail, took a little too much interest in the case about the Singapore Chinese who walked into a shop in Yaumatei and stole a gold wrist watch. They thought the method employed was ingenious, and decided to put it to the test. The fact that the other man having decided to take the risk, they set off in the direction of West Point, and entering the first shoe maker's shop, they asked to be shown some Chinese shoes. As soon as several pairs were produced for their inspection, the rascals each grabbed a pair and bolted. Police whistles were blown and they were arrested by a pair of plain clothes men and taken to No. 7, Police Station. Brought before Mr. Wood, this morning, they were awarded six weeks' hard labour and 4 hours' stocks in lieu of the last day.

DISHONEST EMPLOYEE.

Before Mr. R. O. Hutchison this morning, an elderly Chinese employed at an office at No. 2 Connaught Road Central was charged with the larceny of 75 gross of cotton reels valued at \$1,100 the property of his employer.

Defendant pleaded guilty, and said he had been very ill, and he sold the cotton reels to obtain money to buy medicine. He asked permission to see his elder brother to arrange for the refund of the value to the firm.

Inspector Brazil said he understood that defendant's brother had refused to pay the money.

The employer in Court said he would be satisfied to get a small part of the cost.

The case was remanded.

BILIOUS HEADACHE.

It is noted to be a correct the biliousness and the headache disappears. Take Chamberlain's Tablets and you will soon be as well as ever. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE MOTOR BANDITS.

ARRAIGNED FOR MURDER, ETC.

Before Mr. J. R. Wood this afternoon, three Chinese who were arrested in connection with the robbery at a money changer's shop at 40 Des Voeux Road West were charged with (1) armed robbery and theft of \$5,000, (2) that they shot and murdered P.C.C. 605, Ling Piu, (3) that they shot and murdered Wo Chuk Cheuk, (4) that they shot, with intent to murder, P.C. B 82, Khear Din, (5) that they shot, with intent to murder, P.C. C 48, Lai Kang Yau, (6) that they shot, with intent to murder, L.S. A 113, Alexander Clark and (7) that they shot and wounded P.C. C 48, Lai Kang Yau.

Mr. Leo Longinotto, who appeared for the prosecution said that the defendants were three of a gang of robbers who attacked a money changer's shop at No. 40 Des Voeux Road West on November 25, and stole \$5,000 in notes. When the alarm was raised the prisoners decamped and were followed by the police. They got into a motor car and were, for a while, lost from sight. They were later located in a tea house where the first defendant was arrested. A running fight ensued in the course of which the second defendant was arrested on the beach. The third defendant was the man who shot Sergeant Field. Counsel said that P.C. C 605, who was shot in the stomach, died in hospital on December 5. He could not say which man shot him. Wo Chuk Cheuk was a coolie and was looking on when he was shot. It was at first thought that a bullet from Sergt. Field's revolver, which was of a large calibre, had wounded the man but when his body was removed to the mortuary and the bullet was extracted it was found to be one of lesser calibre. C. 48, B. 82 and L.S. Clark were wounded during the course of the chase. Dr. H. P. Barker was then called to give evidence relating to Wo Chuk Cheuk.

The hearing is proceeding.

A DOPED POLICEMAN.

Insp. Grant and a party of men made a raid on an opium den at No. 3 Sam Ka Lane yesterday and found a Chinese constable who was supposed to be on duty, lying on one of the benches smoking opium. His uniform, belt, revolver and hat were removed and hidden under the bench. He was taken to the station and this morning appeared before Mr. Hutchison on a charge of neglect of duty as a constable. He was fined \$30 or six weeks' hard labour.

SPORTS.

CRICKET.

The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club against Civil Service Cricket Club on Saturday 13th, December on the H.K.C.C. Ground. Play to commence at 2.15 p.m.—T. E. Pearce (Capt.), A. Burnie, R. A. Green, R. Hancock, J. D. Humphreys, P. Jacks, E. G. Lammert, A. K. MacKenzie, L. D. McNeill, P. G. de Paravicini and A. B. Raworth.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

K.C.C. v. R.G.A.

The K.C.C. v. R.G.A. at Kowloon on Saturday 13th December 2 p.m. The following have been selected: J. P. Robinson, A. A. Claxton, J. V. Braga, B. D. Evans, A. de Sousa, L. J. Blackburn, R. Pestonji, H. Overy, T. W. Elson, D. M. Goodall and A. W. Ramsay.

BILLARDS.

PALACE HOTEL HANDICAP.

The results yesterday in the above Handicap were:—W. W. Cooper minus 125, 250. G. A. Searle minus 50, 150. The winners chief breaks were 2420, 16.

J. Foulds minus 150, beat. W. T. Elson minus 125. Final scores 250 to 185. Chief break 28 by Foulds. Games to-night 6 p.m. R. O. Parrott minus 20, v. D. McKenzie, Scratch. At 9 p.m. C. Furbrother Mason minus 150, v. W. A. Morgan minus 125.

FOOTBALL.

The Club will be represented by the following against the Navy on Saturday, December 13, on the Club Ground. Kick-off 4 p.m.—G. S. Rodger, P. Black, J. MacCubbin, M. L. Raiton, J. Stewart, G. W. R. MacPhail, J. B. Hamilton, D. Riechelmann, J. Stalker, H. M. McTavish and J. Rodger.

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OBITUARY.

MR. CHAN KAI MING.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Mr. Chan Kai Ming, which occurred at noon to-day at his residence, No. 16, Caine Road. He was one of the most respected and prominent members of the Chinese community. Born in Hongkong in 1859, he received his early education at the Diocesan School and later at the Government Central School (now Queen's College) where he gained the Senior Morrison Scholarship. At the age of 17, he was appointed a teacher in the same College, and after six years' service, he resigned and took up a clerkship at the Magistracy. After serving there for fifteen years he rose to the status of a second grade clerk. He then accepted the post of Secretary of the Opium Farm, and was later appointed manager. Besides being a prominent figure in social circles, Mr. Chan Kai Ming occupied many civic positions including several years' service on the Sanitary Board, as a Justice of the Peace, a director of the Tung Wah Hospital, a member of the Po Leung Kuk Committee, Vice-President of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and, during the absence of the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak last year, served on the Legislative Council. He greatly interested himself in the Hongkong University, and had given large sums of money towards the founding of medical schools, etc., and was a life member of the Court of the University. He was well-known in commercial circles, both European and Chinese, being Chairman of the Board of Directors of Messrs. Gande, Price and Co., Ltd., a director of the Hongkong Mercantile Company, and of the Bank of East Asia. Mr. Chan Kai Ming left the Colony with his family in August last, for a health trip to Peking. Upon his return, he had partly regained his health, but he had a relapse. The deceased is survived by his mother, who is 79 years of age, and a large family for whom the deepest sympathy will be felt. The funeral takes place at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

ARRIVAL OF THE NEW VICAR.

The Rev. Mr. G. R. Lindsay, the new Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, is expected to arrive in Hongkong on the 21st or 22nd inst. It is proposed to hold a reception, on Monday, 22nd inst., in the Church Hall, to welcome Mr. Lindsay, at 5.30 p.m., at which all Church members, whether seafarers or not, are invited to be present. The induction service will be conducted by the Bishop of Victoria, after the reception.

A TROUBLESOME YOUTH.

A coolie-boy was brought before Mr. R. O. Hutchison this morning with behaving in a disorderly manner in Des Voeux Road Central last evening.

Inspector Brazil said that the defendant was seen following a richa, and hanging on behind, which annoyed the puller. When near the Central Market, defendant snatched a sweat-cloth from the shoulder of the puller and ran away.

A Chinese schoolmaster of St. Paul's College said he was going towards the Central Market last night, when he observed the defendant annoying a richa coolie. He pulled a cloth from his shoulder and ran away. He chased and arrested him.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$3 or five days.

A FRUSTRATED FIGHT.

Four Chinese were brought before Mr. Wood this morning on a charge of unlawful possession of dangerous weapons—to wit, hammers, chisels and "jemmies"; and with being in High Street yesterday for the purpose of taking part in a fight.

The defendants denied the charges and said they were coolies. They had worked on the wharf that morning and were taking the things home when they were arrested. They used the instruments complained of for opening packing cases, etc.

A Chinese detective giving evidence said at 7.30 p.m. yesterday, a gentleman came to No. 7 Station and spoke to Inspector MacDonald, who called him and two other detectives and told them that there was going to be a fight in High Street, and they were to go there and prevent the affair taking place. They went to High Street and there saw a crowd of over 10 coolies, standing together talking excitedly. Witness went up to them and said "search things." He then noticed the first defendant put his hand to his girdle and pull out the jemmy which was wrapped in paper and throw it on the ground at the foot of a tree. Witness arrested him and his colleagues arrested the other defendants, who all had instruments of some sort or other on their persons. At this stage the case was remanded until 10 a.m. to-morrow.

INDUSTRIAL AND TRADE CONDITIONS IN HONGKONG.

AN INTERESTING REPORT.

Consul-General George E. Anderson reports: Industrial conditions in Hongkong during the first part of the present year were not very satisfactory. The shipyards were busy at good rates and the sugar refineries did well, but most of the comparatively small industries were not so successful. The knitting factories have had a hard time as a result of the high value of silver, which has made it impossible for them to compete with products manufactured on a gold basis, and some of them have closed down. Canning and preserving factories have been hampered by the scarcity of supplies and the high price of sugar. Boat builders, and, in short, all lines of industry have felt the results of high exchange.

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE IMPORT TRADE.

The import trade has reflected the general tendency of world markets to await lower prices and a readjustment of trade conditions over the world. The collapse of the war trade in steel and iron and all similar war goods last autumn has left the markets of the Far East greatly overstocked in these lines with the result that practically the whole of the arrivals of such goods for the first half of the present year were on old contracts and represent only what importers have had to take under their agreements. There was a falling off in imports of cotton piece goods as a result of the disposition of buyers to await lower prices, although this trade revived materially at the end of the half year. In other great staples there was a similar tendency. On the other hand, local stocks throughout the Far East in many lines of goods have been wholly exhausted or dangerously depleted with the result that there simply had to be some important imports and there has therefore been considerable increased trade in such lines as kerosene, chemicals and drugs, many food products, and some machinery, and other staple lines. Trade on the whole has been satisfactory, but all things considered, it is generally agreed that a very difficult period has been weathered in much better shape than had been anticipated.

INCREASED IMPORTS OF FLOUR.

Flour, the great staple import from the United States in pre-war days, again appeared from the United States in the shape of two experimental shipments, but the price of the American product is still too high to compete with Chinese, Japanese, Australian, and other flours in spite of its superior quality. The colony handled almost twice as much flour during the first six months of 1919 as it did the same period of last year. Imports amounting to a value of about \$2,000,000, but this was due to the fact that Australian flour coming into the South China market in replacement of Chinese flour came into the colony, whereas much of the Chinese flour which supplied the South China ports last year proceeded from North China direct to the consuming ports.

IMPORTANT TRADE IN DRUGS AND CHEMICALS, MEDICINES, AND TANNING MATERIALS.

There was a considerable revival in the imports of drugs and chemicals during the first half of the present year as a result of the need of replacing exhausted stocks. Imports of acids, especially sulphuric and hydrochloric acids, fell off greatly, Japan furnishing practically the whole of the supply of sulphuric and much of the other acids. Saltpetre has come into the market again from India and has been sold in pre-war volume. Soda ash and caustic soda were imported to the value of about \$125,000 and \$175,000, respectively, for the six months, as compared with less than half the amount for last year. Practically all the soda ash came from Great Britain, and two-thirds of the caustic soda came from the United States. Great Britain furnishing most of the remainder. Glycerine, calcium carbide, borax, and miscellaneous drugs were imported in about twice the volume of last year.

There was also an increase in the imports of Chinese medicines, miscellaneous classifications increasing from a value of about \$3,250,000 for the first half of last year to about \$3,800,000 for the first half of the current year, while imports of ginseng, for example, increased from a value of about \$950,000 last year to about \$1,250,000 the current year. The import of cardamom seed also practically doubled.

Imports of tanning and dyeing materials increased in a similar way. The value of miscellaneous goods in this line increased from about \$200,000 in the first half of last year to about \$300,000 the current year. Aniline dyes were imported to the value of about \$200,000 as compared with little more than nominal imports in the same period of 1918. Imports of gambier and mangrove bark greatly increased, while there was a decrease in the imports of sapan wood, safflower, and several other items. The aniline dyes have come almost entirely from the United States, small amounts coming from Japan and North China.

DECREASED IMPORTS OF FOODSTUFFS. Imports of foodstuffs fell off greatly. Beans of all classes decreased from a value of about \$1,250,000 for the first six months of 1918 to about \$500,000 for the same period this

year. The value of imports of fishery products fell from an approximate value of \$4,500,000 to \$4,000,000, the decrease being mostly in beche de mer, cuttle fish, and miscellaneous products. The import of rice fell off about 40 per cent. in volume, but reached almost the same value as for the first half of last year as a result of exceedingly high prices. There was an increase of about 25 per cent. in the imports of ham, bacon, and fresh meat. North China, furnishing practically the whole of the salted meats. In spite of expectancies to the contrary, imports of condensed milk held up and show an increase for the first half of this year over last year. Imports of tinned and dried fruits practically doubled during the period. Most other food products were imported in about the same proportion as last year.

GREATER RECEIPTS OF COAL—THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Imports of coal into Hongkong proper increased from approximately 340,000 tons in the first half of last year to approximately 521,000 tons for the same period of the current year, the increase being due largely to more available shipping tonnage. Imports of liquid fuel increased from approximately 19,000 tons last year to approximately 36,000 tons the current year.

There was comparatively little change in the hardware trade, the general value of imports of this class of goods remaining at about a value of \$1,400,000; but there was a big falling off in the receipts of nails and bolts and similar goods which was made up by increased imports of miscellaneous hardware. There was a large increase in imports of machinery and engines, especially in the line of electrical, industrial, and pumping machinery and machine tools.

There was a slight falling off in the value of imports of brass and of copper. Arrivals of lead fell off about 50 per cent., while those of zinc all but disappeared for the time being and imports of other metals fell off proportionately.

Imports of iron and steel fell from an estimated value of \$12,250,000 to \$7,500,000. The trade was much disturbed, and the value indicated almost entirely represents arrivals under old contracts. In all the various classifications of this line the United States furnished by far the greater portion of the imports, Great Britain and Japan furnishing the smaller share.

Imports of kerosene and other mineral oils increased from less than 10,000,000 gallons in the first half of 1918 to about 18,500,000 gallons in the first half of 1919, the gain being attributed to the greater arrivals from the United States.

COTTON PIECE GOODS AND WEARING APPAREL IMPORTS.

Imports of cotton piece goods for the first half of this year were below those for the same period last year, but picked up greatly during the second quarter of the year. The imports for the first quarter amounted to about \$4,000,000 in value as compared with about \$9,500,000 for the same period of last year. Those during the second quarter brought the totals up to nearer an equality, though the trade until the latter part of the second quarter was far below normal and in rather a bad way. Imports of woollens fell off more than 60 per cent. during the first half of the year, and the indications are that the year's record will be along similar lines.

There was little change in imports of wearing apparel, including boots and shoes, except that there was an increase in the receipts of singlets and shirts and similar garments, and a falling off in those of shoes of various grades and in hats and caps. The trade in this line is about \$3,000,000 a year in value.

INCREASED IMPORTS OF MOTOR CARS—SUNDRY IMPORTS.

There was a falling off in imports of railway materials, but a large increase in imports of motor cars, such vehicles and equipment reaching a value of about \$500,000 during the half year, as compared with less than \$100,000 the year previous.

Imports listed officially as "sundries" show a varying record, but on the whole show decreases. Electrical machinery and appliances showed marked falling off, as do explosives, glassware, and leathers of all kinds, matches, paper, and other staples, while haberdashery, lamps and lamp ware, sewing machines, soap of all kinds, toys and games, and a few other items show fair to good increases.

EFFECT OF EXCHANGE ON THE EXPORT TRADE.

During the whole of the first six months of 1919 there was practically no demand for Chinese products in either the United States or Europe except in so far as goods desired could be secured in no other place than in China. High exchange prevented trading except on a basis unfavorable to the oriental exporter.

Exports of rice from Hongkong to Europe were stopped by the Hongkong Government early in the year. Shipments to the United States, Central and South America continue from time to time, but the supplies are small and prices are high. Total shipments for the half year will not reach half of those of last year, while the values have been fully as great.

The export of tin to the United States and Europe has been prevented by war embargoes, which were removed only at the end of the half year. There is a considerable stock of the

metal on hand in Hongkong, but prices are so low in local currency, though still very high in gold, that production has fallen away considerably and many of the small mines have been closed and their employees have sought other employment.

There was a considerable falling off in the exports of cement from the colony during the first half of this year, the shipments being only little more than half the quantity for the same time last year. There was also a decrease of about 40 per cent. in the exports of hemp rope. Shipments of vermilion increased about 20 per cent., reaching a value for the half year of about \$400,000.

There was little change in the trade in spices on the whole. The export of cassia was about the same as last year, reaching a value for the half year of about \$300,000. Ginger almost doubled in volume, while the exports of pepper fell off about 25 per cent. The United States took about 20 per cent. of the ginger, but practically none of the pepper.

SHIPMENTS OF MINERALS GENERALLY DECLINE.

The shipments of manganese ore reached a value of about \$225,000 for the half year, but the United States took very little of it. Wolframite dropped out as one of the chief exports of the colony for the time being. The exports in the first half of 1918 reached a value of considerably over \$3,000,000, mostly to the United States, while the value of all the shipments of this ore from the colony for the first half of the current year did not exceed \$160,000. The export trade in antimony ore, regulus, and lead ore has been small, though these were fairly large items in the list of exports last year.

SMALLER QUANTITY OF PEANUTS SHIPPED—VEGETABLE OILS.

There was also a considerable decline in the export of peanuts. The shipments during the first six months in 1918 amounted in value to over \$3,000,000, of which the United States took \$614,693 worth. Exports to all countries during the first six months of the current year were valued at about \$1,000,000, but the greater portion of the trade was in the shape of local supplies to South China and the United States took only \$40,639 worth.

In vegetable oils there was a better record. Exports of aniseed oil show an increase of 20 per cent. and reached a value of about \$350,000 during the first half of this year. Cassia oil shipments fell off 20 per cent. Peanut oil maintains its level of last year with a value of about \$900,000 for the half year. The United States took a very fair share of this export. Wood oil showed some falling off for the half year, though the shipments increased greatly in the second quarter. The United States decreased its purchases, taking only \$81,345 worth as compared with a value of \$443,276 last year.

THE EXPORT TRADE IN SILKS AND HOSIERY.

The record in silks for the half year was fairly satisfactory. High exchange made trading very difficult at times and the half year shows an increase in value of about 15 per cent., though the gain in volume was not so great.

There was a large increase in the exports of hosiery, the value of the colony's shipments reaching \$850,000 for the half year.

BRISTLES, PALM-LEAF FANS, HUMAN HAIR, ETC.

The export of bristles fell off nearly 50 per cent. and the trade in that line has been depressed for several months. Palm-leaf fans show an increase of nearly 50 per cent. in keeping with lower freight rates, while the export of human hair increased about 30 per cent. The shipments of cow and buffalo hides increased about 50 per cent. as a result of the removal of war restrictions and improved freight conditions. There was also a great increase in the export of rattan for similar reasons, the United States taking a fair share of the trade.

DECLARED EXPORTS TO THE UNITED STATES.

Declared exports to the United States for the first six months of this year were valued at only \$6,572,623 as compared with \$24,408,278 for the same period last year. The loss in value this year is accounted for almost entirely by the decrease in the exports of rice, tin, wolfram, and peanuts. There were other important items of decrease, including cassia, bristles, leathers, fibres, hides, and wood oil. On the other hand the former trade in a number of items was revived, including chemicals, earthenware, hair, peanut oil, cassia oil, and various Chinese foods, especially vegetables and fish.

EXPORTS TO THE PHILIPPINES.

The value of the declared exports to the Philippines during the half year shows a large increase over the same period last year, the gain being mostly in kerosene oil. There were increased exports also of rice, condensed milk, eggs, fruits and nuts, meats and dairy products, and various other food products.

The value for the first six months of 1919 is \$4,422,145 compared with \$3,428,465 for the corresponding period of last year.

EXPORTS TO HAWAII.

There was an increase in the declared exports to Hawaii during the half year, which marks a return to more normal trade and which consists very largely in food and other sup-

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

A DEBTOR ADMONISHED.

The Chief Justice, Sir William Rees-Davies, sat in Bankruptcy Court this morning. Carlos H. Chaves appearing before him for admonition. Replying to His Lordship the Official Receiver, Mr. Lloyd, said he understood the debtor was a Macanese. Addressing the debtor, His Lordship said: The Official Receiver has thought it his duty, and he is quite right to report to me that you have been incurring debts since you have been adjudged bankrupt. It appears that your debts were originally \$1,069 dating from 1907 and that a receiving order was made and rescinded in 1911. In 1918 you undertook to pay the Official Receiver \$25 a month for the benefit of your creditors. You have only paid the sum of \$25, under considerable pressure. You have now borrowed further money from money lenders and there are a number of actions against you. Is that correct?

Debtor: I do not know if I have any actions against me. His Lordship remarked that judgment had been given against him for \$100. "You surely know if judgment has been given against you?"

Debtor: Yes, Sir. His Lordship: You have received a lawyer's letter for the payment of a draper's bill. Is that correct?—Yes. Your salary is \$150 a month and you have a wife and children?—Yes.

Now I must point out to you that people who come and obtain the benefit of the Court render themselves amenable to the law of the Colony and it is an offence against the law to obtain credit to the extent of \$400 from any person without disclosing that you are an undischarged bankrupt. If you continue to borrow money without making any attempt to meet your creditors the Court will deal with you by authorising you to be prosecuted for an offence against the Ordinance. It appears that you are wholly indifferent to the law of the Colony. You obtained the benefit of the Court to protect you and your debts as you have been doing, the Court will see what course it will take. Do you understand what I have said?

Debtor: Yes, Sir.

His Lordship: You may go. The application of H. I. Xavier for his discharge was adjourned to the next Bankruptcy Court owing to the absence of the debtor. His Lordship requested that he be notified that he must attend.

The Official Receiver made application for the adjudication of the Yau Tak Bank and said that two meetings of creditors failed to pass any resolution. He had been unable to ascertain one man, who was alleged to be a partner, but he had absconded. He had been able to collect about \$2,700 of the assets. He asked that the order be made against the firm. Granted.

Mr. M. W. Lo, appearing for the petitioning creditors in the matter of the Ngan Shing Hing firm, asked permission to withdraw as a satisfactory arrangement had been arrived at.

A similar application was made by Mr. C. F. Mason on behalf of the petitioning creditor in the matter of the Yuen Siu Nam, alias Yuen Ping, trading as Wing Yik. The arrangement was for 20 per cent.

The Official Receiver said the arrangement would be better for the creditors as the firm ran about nineteen money loan associations, which had not been completed.

Both applications were granted. The Official Receiver applied for an order for the destruction of certain old account books and papers in connection with bankruptcy cases which had been finished, on the ground that they were an encumbrance to the Official Receiver's office and the room was needed for documents of future bankruptcies.

His Lordship made the necessary order, directing that the head bailiff should communicate with him as to the method of destruction.

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PEACE DELEGATES RETURNING.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 10. Mr. Luk Ching Chang telegraphed to Peking on December 5 reporting that he would leave Marseilles for home on the 11th inst. accompanied by Dr. Wong Ching Ching-ting and Mr. Ng Shun Tso.

MINISTER TO TOKYO.

Mr. Lau Kang Yau, the newly appointed Minister to Tokyo, has decided to leave for Japan on the 12th inst.

THE JAPANESE MERCHANTS.

The Japanese merchants at Peking and Tientsin are quite excited about the boycott development. They have held meetings and approached their Minister.

FOOCHOW NEWS.

General Li Hau Ki reported that all Japanese marines have now returned to their ships.

Mr. Wong Hung Nien, the deputy of the Peking government on the Foochow outrage has arrived at Foochow and is making investigations.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON AND COMPANY, St. George's Buildings, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 29th day of December, 1919, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolution as an Ordinary Resolution:—

1. "That the conditional agreement entered into by the Directors of the Company in the name and on behalf of the Company with Messrs. Harrison and Crossfield Limited dated the 10th day of December 1919, for the sale of the undertaking property and assets of the Company as existing on the 31st day of December, 1918, subject to its liabilities, for the sum of \$823,000 (Eight hundred and twenty eight thousand dollars) cash which has been submitted to this meeting and the same is hereby ratified and approved and that the Directors be and they are hereby authorized and directed to carry the same into effect with full power to assent to any modifications in the Agreement which they may think expedient and in the interests of the Company."

Copies of the above mentioned Agreement can be seen at the Registered Office of the Company, St. George's Buildings, Chester Road, Victoria, or at the Offices of Johnson, Stokes & Master, the Solicitors to the Company, at Prince's Building, Ice House Street, Victoria aforesaid, at any time before the said meeting (except SATURDAYS and SUNDAYS) between the hours of 11 A.M. and 4 P.M.

And subject to the passing of the above Resolution to consider and if thought fit, to pass as an Extraordinary Resolution the following:—

2. "That the Company be wound up voluntarily and that Ernest Alfred Mountford Williams of the firm of Lowe Bingham and Matthews of Chartered Bank Building, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid be appointed Liquidator for the purposes of such winding up, at such remuneration as may be arranged between the said Harrison and Crossfield Limited and the Liquidator."

Should the Second Resolution be passed by the requisite majority, it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary General Meeting to be held at the above address at twelve o'clock noon on TUESDAY the 15th day of January 1920.

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The embargo that has hitherto been imposed upon the news regarding the escape of Prince Yi, a son of the late Emperor, on the night of Nov. 9 from the house in Seoul where he is practically confined, and about his subsequent capture, has now been formally lifted. The Japanese papers have come out with detailed accounts of the incident though they seem to be in the dark as to how and why the Prince made his unsuccessful attempt. The bare fact of the case is that on the night of Nov. 9 the Prince left his house unobserved by anybody, at least by the Japanese on guard. As soon as the fact became known much alarm was naturally caused among the authorities of Prince Yi's household, as well as those at the Government General's thorough and unrelenting search was immediately instituted but no clue as to his whereabouts was obtained for a few days. The Japanese authorities in Korea and Japan proper issued orders to the Press against the publication of the news, and the search continued. On the night of the 11th he was finally discovered at a "

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PROCESSES IN MILLIONS AND DECIMALS OF GALLONS.

1918.	1919.
Typhoon	21.51
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Consumption of water in the City

and Hill District in millions and decimals
of gallons during the month of November.

1918.	1919.
Consumption	19.15
Estimated population	275,000
Consumption per head	27.7 gallons
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1918.	1919.
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Consumption of water in Kowloon

in millions and decimals of gallons during the
month of November.

1918.	1919.
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The China Coast Officers' Guild,
Hongkong Agency,
10, Des Voeux Road,
November 24th, 1919.

The Chairman,
The Shipowners Protection Association of Hongkong.

Dear Sir,—I am instructed to lay before you a scale of wages which has been calculated to be the minimum on which the masters and officers who have the care of your valuable vessels find it possible to live respectably.

You are, doubtless, aware that the China Navigation Co., Indo-China S.N. Co., China Merchant S.N. Co., Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co., and Douglas S.S. Co. have consistently paid a considerably higher rate of wages than obtains in your vessels, which has been further enhanced by the addition of bonuses, which latter have now been incorporated in the wages.

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Trusting, therefore, to be favoured with a reply at your earliest convenience.—I remain, Yours faithfully
(Sd.) L. D'OLIVEYRA,
(Secretary).

3rd December, 1919.
The Secretary, The China Coast Officers' Guild.

Dear Sir,—With reference to your letter of 24th ulto. and mine of the 27th ulto. I beg to advise you that, after careful consideration, the owners represented by this Association regret that they find it impossible to meet your demands, which they consider excessive when the present state of the Shipping Market is taken into consideration.

Regretting our inability to meet you at the present time.—I beg to remain, dear sir, yours faithfully,
(Sd.) S. T. WILLIAMSON,
(Chairman).

The China Coast Officers' Guild,
Hongkong Agency,
10, Des Voeux Road,
Hongkong, December 4, 1919.

The Chairman, Shipowners' Protection Association.

Sir,—I am instructed to inform you that, the request for an amendment of salaries as per the scale forwarded on November 24 in the ships controlled by your Association not having been acceded to, the masters and officers of the vessels concerned will hand in the requisite notice and will refuse to take the vessels to sea, from whatever port they may be in, after noon on Wednesday, December 17, until such time as a satisfactory settlement is arrived at.

Regretting the necessity for this decision.—I remain, yours faithfully,
(Sd.) L. D'OLIVEYRA,
(Secretary).

6th December, 1919.
L. O. D'OLIVEYRA, Esq.,
Secretary,

The China Coast Officers' Guild,
Messrs. Moller & Co. (Hongkong), Ltd., the Chong Yue S.S. Co., Ltd., the Luen Hing S.S. Co., Ltd., the Lai Hing S.S. Co., Ltd., the Po Shun S.S. Co., Ltd., the Innamincka S.S. Co.,

Ltd., the Brisbane S.S. Co., Ltd., the Wollowra S.S. Co., Ltd., Messrs. Burkill & Sons, and the Un Man Chuen, who are owners of the various ships on the China Coast and who are also members of the Shipowners' Protection Association of Hongkong, to state that they have been notified that information has been received by the Shipowners' Protection Association that your Union has advised the European Officers on board the above ships not to take their vessels to sea from whatever port they may be in after noon on Wednesday, the 17th December next, until such time as a satisfactory settlement has been arrived at with reference to the Guild's letter of the 24th November last.

As the Officers above referred to are under articles either

(a) For a period of not less than 6 months determinable in Hongkong, or

(b) Subject to 24 hours' notice in Hongkong.

Such a course of procedure as indicated would entail the breaking of the contracts by the officers concerned and would constitute illegal acts, against which an injunction can be obtained from the Court against your Guild, the officers thereof and the officers concerned, together with any damages arising from such illegal acts.

I am requested to inform you that unless my Association receive a written undertaking from your Guild on Monday next that it will refrain from in any way advising the officers to adopt the above mentioned course, or in any way inducing them to adopt such a course, the owners will forthwith apply to the Court for an injunction against your Guild and all those concerned, and will hold your Guild the officers thereof and the officers concerned responsible in damages.—Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) S. T. WILLIAMSON,
(Chairman),
8, Des Voeux Road, Central,
Hongkong,
9th December, 1919.

S. T. Williamson, Esq.,
The Shipowners' Protection Association of Hongkong,
St. George's Buildings,
Hongkong.

Dear Sir,—Captain D'Oliveyra has handed us your letter of the 6th instant written to him as Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild on behalf of Messrs. Moller & Company (Hongkong), Limited, and eight other Shipping Companies who are members of the Shipowners' Protection Association of Hongkong.

We are instructed that the statements therein contained are incorrect. It is not a fact that our client's Union has advised the European Officers on vessels of the above Companies not to take their ships to sea on the 17th instant.

Certain resolutions have been passed at meetings of the members concerned, namely, the Master and Officers of the above mentioned Companies, with a view to obtaining a fair consideration of their present grievances.

Such course of action as may be adopted is neither dictated, nor advised, by the Guild nor any officer of the Guild, but is in consequence of the decision of the meetings of the individual members concerned, who, should they decline to take their vessels to sea, will do so in consequence of their own decision to that effect. Whether such action may constitute a breach of agreement as between the individual officer and his shipowner is a matter which may arise for consideration hereafter.

Any action which the Secretary of the Guild, who has no voting power, has taken or may take, is merely on the instructions of the members concerned, as whose paid agent he is acting.—Yours faithfully,
(Sd.) HASTINGS & HASTINGS,
December 10th, 1919.

Messrs. Hastings & Hastings,
Dear Sir,—Your letter of the 9th inst. addressed to Mr. S. T. Williamson and written on behalf of the Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild has been handed to us.

We are instructed to ask your client to kindly inform us whether his Guild and the officers thereof deny that they have in any way advised the members of the Guild or in any way induced the members of the Guild not to take their vessels to sea from whatever port they may be in after noon on Wednesday, the 17th instant, until such time as a satisfactory settlement is arrived at with reference to the Guild's letter of November 24 last, or whether the Guild or its officers have actively supported such a policy by promises of financial assistance in case their suggested strike should mature, or in any other way?

From various extracts which have been published in the local Press and which it appears to us must have been inspired, and also from conversations which have taken place between your client and Mr. Williamson, it appears to us that the attitude which the Guild and its officers now desire to take up, thereby endeavouring to transfer the whole legal responsibility from themselves to the members of the Guild, is not warranted.

The following extracts from the local Press appear to us to bear out the above.

(a.) In the "Hongkong Telegraph" of the 25th November last, under the heading "The China Coast," the following appears:—
"The China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China—are determined that their salaries shall be raised to the scale demanded."

(b.) In the "South China Morning Post" of 26th November last, under the heading "Demand of Higher Pay," the following appears:—
"The letter of demand has been sent through the respective organisations of Officers and Engineers—the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China."

"The owners who are now being asked for increase by the men organisations."

"We understand that both of the men's organisations are in the happy position of being provided with ample funds and that, if the worst comes to the worst, they are financially prepared for any eventuality."

(c.) The "China Mail," dated the 3rd December, 1919, under the heading "Local Shipping Dispute," the following extract appears:—
"For this purpose the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Engineers' Guild formed an amalgamation, this move being met by the owners of vessels forming a Hongkong Shipowners' Association. The amalgamated Guilds then sent a letter to the Owners' Association, asking for a meeting at which the situation could be discussed. A meeting of the two employees' Guilds was called for 3 o'clock this afternoon."

(d.) The "China Mail," dated December 4, 1919, under the heading "Local Shipping Dispute," contains the following extract:—
"This reply will be discussed at this evening's meeting of the Guilds."

(e.) The "South China Morning Post," dated December 4, 1919, contained the following advertisement:—
"Marine Engineers' Guild, China Coast Officers' Guild."

Members of the above Guilds are informed that a combined meeting will be held at the Guild office, 10, Des Voeux Road to-day (Thursday), December 4, at 3 p.m. sharp.

As matters of urgency have to be decided, every member in river and outside ships is requested to attend."

(f.) The "Hongkong Daily Press," dated the 5th December, 1919, under the heading "Local Shipping Dispute," contained the following extracts:—
"The associated guilds decided, a few days ago, to press for general increase of about 40 per cent. in the salaries of captains, chief engineers and chief officers."

"The Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild, seen yesterday by a reporter of the "Daily Press," said he was not yet in a position to disclose the proceedings of the meeting. The Shipowners' Association, he said, had definitely refused the increase of salaries asked, on the ground that the present freight situation did not allow them to think of increasing their expenditure. Some of the other Companies had not replied to the Guild's ultimatum. The meeting discussed the situation for an hour and a half, and it was decided to send another circular letter to the shipping companies."

(g.) The "South China Morning Post," dated 5th December, 1919, under the heading "The Shipping Trouble," contains the following extract:—
"As the result of their deliberations, we understand, letters will be forwarded, to-day, to the owners announcing that the member insist on their demands being met. The men, it is understood are ready to fight the matter out to the finish, and their reserve funds are believed to be sufficient to see them through a protracted struggle."

The "Hongkong Daily Press," dated 8th December, 1919, under the heading "The Strike Danger in Hongkong," contains the following extract:—
"The China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild have combined to ask the owners of the smaller local river and coastal trade steamers for an increase of

forty per cent. in the salaries of masters, first officers and chief engineers."

Unless your client is prepared to deny the accuracy of truth of the foregoing extracts, it appears to us abundantly clear that your client's Guild and the officers thereof have actively participated in advising and inducing those concerned to agree to a course of conduct, which, if carried to the conclusion indicated in your client's letter of the 4th instant, would involve breaches of contract and other unlawful acts of a most serious nature.

We need hardly point out to you that if the ships are held up as a result of any members of the Guild unlawfully breaking their agreement the damages suffered would be very heavy. On the evidence at our disposal, we are confident that the Guild and the officers will be lawfully responsible for such damage as having actively supported the men concerned in their unlawful conduct as, of course, also the officers, should they break their agreements.

We are therefore compelled to press for an immediate and unequivocal answer to the question put in paragraph two of this letter.—Yours faithfully,
(Sd.) DEACON LOOKER DEACON & HARSTON.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Dear Sir,—With reference to the correspondence appearing this morning under heading "The Local Shipping Dispute" and "The South China Morning Post" under heading "The Shipping Dispute," we enclose copies of a letter which we think, in fairness to our clients, should have formed part of the published correspondence, and a further letter which we have to-day sent to Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Harston, and trust you will see your way to publish these.

Yours faithfully,
HASTINGS & HASTINGS,
(Copy)
10th December, 1919.

WAGES DISPUTE.

Dear Sir,—In view of the fact that some of the shipowners concerned have during the past few days agreed to refer the matters at present in dispute to arbitration, it has occurred to our clients Captain D'Oliveyra and W. J. Stokes, that there may be a possible way of arriving at a friendly settlement. With this end in view our clients propose to convene at once a meeting of the captains, officers and engineers concerned, with a view to ascertaining whether they will agree that the proposed cessation of work be postponed in order to afford the shipowners ample opportunity of offering some definite counter proposals to the present demands of the captains, officers and engineers for an increase of pay, either in the shape of an offer to refer the matter to arbitration, or in the shape of a definite offer of advance of wages.—Yours faithfully,
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Shipowners' Protection Association of Hongkong.

(Copy).
Hastings and Hastings,
Solicitors and Notaries,
8 Des Voeux Road Central,
Hongkong.

December 11, 1919.

DEAR SIRS,—With reference to the correspondence which was published at your request in the "Hongkong Daily Press" and the "South China Morning Post" of to-day's date under the headings "Local Shipping Dispute" and "The Shipping Dispute," since we presume your object was merely to give full information to the press and public, it seems a pity that such correspondence did not also include the letter of which a copy is enclosed, which was sent to Mr. S. T. Williamson yesterday by us, since such letter has an obvious bearing upon the pending shipping dispute, and sufficiently shows that so far as our clients are concerned, they are not adopting an unreasonable attitude, although it will of course rest with the captains, officers and engineers concerned to decide the matter to which reference is made in that letter.

We may add that the letter was drafted before 10 o'clock yesterday morning the 10th instant, and was delivered at Mr. Williamson's office at about 11 o'clock, whereas we only received your letter of yesterday's date at 5.15 in the afternoon, at which time our said letter to Mr. Williamson must have been within your reach. You will doubtless have seen that a meeting has already been convened as indicated in our letter when the proposed step referred to therein will be considered by the masters, officers and engineers concerned.

With regard to the last paragraph of your letter, we have nothing to add to what is stated in our letter of 9th instant, except to say that our clients have not promised financial or other assistance in case the suggested strike should mature. What the members of the Guilds may decide to do hereafter, our clients cannot undertake to say.

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BAD CITIZENSHIP.

A COMPLAINANT WHO FAILS TO ATTEND COURT.

Before Mr. Wood this morning, a Chinese was charged with picking the pocket of a compatriot and stealing a purse containing some pawn tickets and some ten cent pieces.

The defendant pleaded not guilty. A Chinese district watchman giving evidence said he was walking along Des Voeux Road yesterday going East, behind the defendant and another man. The complainant was also walking along the road, but he was going West. When the defendant got level with the complainant, witness saw him put his left hand into the complainant's right lower pocket and extract the purse (produced). Witness at once arrested him, and the man who was walking with the defendant ran away. The complainant was unconscious of the theft until witness called after him. He then came back and identified the purse. The defendant then knelt down on the road and begged the complainant not to appear in court to give evidence against him. The complainant was inclined to let the defendant go, but witness insisted on taking him to the station.

The defendant said he used to work at the Dockyard but left owing to ill health. Yesterday he went to West Point to buy some salt fish and as he was walking along Des Voeux Road, West, the last witness suddenly pounced on him and proceeded to beat him. Another man then came up and told him to stop but his assailant continued to beat him. He did not know why he was beaten. He did not steal the purse.

By His Worship: He lived in Wan-chai and went to West Point to buy salt fish because it was cheaper there.

The watchman, in reply to his Worship, said the complainant saw the purse in the defendant's left hand. The complainant was not in Court.

Inspector MacDonald said that if his Worship was not satisfied with the watchman's evidence, he would endeavour to get the complainant to give evidence.

His Worship remanded the case until to-morrow at 10 a.m.

We hope his Worship will take the trouble to explain to the complainant, if he attends, the duty a citizen owes to the police and to society in such cases as this.

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WEATHER REPORT.

December 11th 1919. 45th.—No returns from Vladivostok, Weihaiwei or Japanese stations. Pressure has decreased slightly from Shanghai to Hongkong and is nearly stationary at other stations. The anticyclone is moving eastward. A depression is still shown between Borneo and Cebu in China.

Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 2 a.m. today, 0.01 in. Total since January 1st, 78.02 inches. Spent an average of 82.38 in. inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at 2 a.m. on December 12th.

1.—Hourly to Gap Rock. N.E. wind, fresh, drizzling rain or mist, improving later.

2.—Forecast Channel. N.E. winds, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamoo. The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

DECEMBER 11, 1919. a.m.

Station	Hour	Barometer at Sea Level	Temperature	Humidity	Direction	Force	Weather
Vladivostok	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Kobe	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Yokohama	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Manila	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Shanghai	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Amoy	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Swatow	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Haiphong	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
London	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Paris	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Bombay	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Calcutta	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Rangoon	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Singapore	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Batavia	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Sourabaya	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Medan	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Penang	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
Malacca	5 a.	30.15	46	94	E	0	—
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T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Dec. 11, 1919.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in open, calm and unobstructed air.
2. THERMOMETER, in the shade in direct sunlight.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.
6. STATE OF WEATHER, by blue sky, detached clouds, drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, hail, lightning, overcast, passing shower, squall, rain, snow, thunder, visibility, dew, wet.
7. RAIN, in inches and hundredths.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1909-10.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 1 inch below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide given at the Victoria Naval Yard add 2 feet 4 inches, and on the range at Leighton Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 1 inch to the height given in the table.

December 12 to 18, 1919.

HIGH WATER				LOW WATER			
Date	Hour	Hongkong	Height	Hongkong	Height	Hours	
		Mean Time					Mean Time
Feb.	12	h m	feet	h m	feet		
		2 23	1.3	7 13	1.3		
Mar.	13	0 56	2.3	6 3	1.5		
		3 15	2.1	5 8	1.3		
Apr.	14	0 15	2.3	5 56	1.5		
		4 15	2.3	5 4	1.3		
May.	15	0 31	2.5	5 9	1.6		
		5 31	2.5	5 9	1.6		
June.	16	0 46	2.7	5 10	1.8		
		6 46	2.7	5 10	1.8		
July.	17	0 51	2.8	5 11	1.9		
		7 51	2.8	5 12	2.1		
Aug.	18	0 58	2.9	5 13	2.2		

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AMERICAN COAL STRIKE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10th.—The mine owners have arranged a new scale of wages which is a slight increase over the old scale. The offer will be submitted to the miners' Administration.

GERMANY AND THE ALLIES.

LONDON, December 10th.—The War Office states that Field-Marshal Sir Henry Wilson, Chief of Staff, has departed for Paris, in response to an urgent summons, to consult Marshal Foch in connection with the Peace Treaty.

HAYAS REVIEW.

Paris, December 6th.—A Hayas message says: French progress during the war in aerial locomotion will be shown at the sixth International Exhibition of Aerial Locomotion taking place in Paris about the end of December.

M. Saugnier, the newly elected leader of the Christian Socialist Party in the Chamber of Deputies, has decided that his group shall sit in the Chamber between the United Socialists and the Republican Socialists.

What *Entente* opinion has asked of Germany is that she should cease her present policy of delay. The Allies have put forward a protocol which they now call forward to sign, because of her manifold infringements of the armistice conditions and the flagrant bad faith against the military terms of the Versailles Treaty.

Marshal Foch has urged the maintenance of the existence of the Supreme War Council in Versailles.

Marshal Foch and Field Marshal Sir Henry Wilson had long conferences yesterday morning and afternoon. The sensational defeat in half a round of Joe Beckett, the heavy-weight boxing champion of England, by Georges Carpentier, is the great topic of conversation throughout Great Britain and France.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY IN HOLLAND.

As a result of fuel shortage during the war the use of electricity in Holland has received a very considerable stimulus. In Amsterdam, for instance, it appears that of 140,000 houses, no less than 110,000 are now provided with electric light, whereas, before the war, only 30,000 were connected. This large increase is accounted for by the fact that neither gas nor candles were available, so that the inhabitants could obtain no other form of light, and this led the Corporation to decide that every house should be provided with at least one electric lamp; the remaining houses are being connected at the rate of 500 a month. Electricity is largely used for domestic purposes other than lighting, as well as for industrial work. A new power station is now in operation on the north side of the River Y, and is already being extended. Three-phase current is generated at a pressure of 10,000 volts by means of steam turbines and water-tube boilers; some of the steam required is supplied by a refuse destructor. Similar developments are taking place throughout the whole of Holland, and in this development the State, the provincial governments, the municipalities, and the communal authorities are all assisting. Considerable progress has already been made towards the co-ordination of the various supply systems, the work being largely facilitated by the fact that the frequency is already standardised at 50 cycles. The supply stations have been, or are being, interconnected to facilitate generation by large units in suitable situations. Distribution is effected, usually, by overhead wires, for which purpose the supply authorities possess compulsory wayleave powers. This enables the needs of rural districts to be catered for, as well as those of towns and industrial areas, and considerably facilitates the use of electricity in agriculture. The installation of electric pumps to replace the numerous windmills used for land drainage is now becoming general and will soon effect a notable change in the appearance of the Dutch landscape. These, at all events, are the impressions gained by a deputation representing the Institution of Electrical Engineers, who recently visited Holland at the invitation of the Society of Directors of Electricity Works in the Netherlands. The deputation points out that the rapid developments above referred to will call for considerable extensions of generating plant and distributor systems, and, as the development of electrical manufacturing industries in Holland is proceeding at a less rapid rate, an excellent opening exists for British manufacturers to extend their business with Holland. Except in the matter of cables, British electrical goods have not been largely used in Holland, the generating plant and motor equipment having been generally supplied by German or Swiss manufacturers. We trust that a determined effort will be made to remedy this state of affairs in the near future.—Engineering.

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INWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, December 12.
Shanghai—Per SHANTUNG.
Straits—Per JAPAN.

SUNDAY, December 14.
Europe (via Negapatam)—Per AWA MARU.

WEDNESDAY, December 17.
Japan—Per MISHIMA MARU.

THURSDAY, December 18.
Straits—Per KAIYUKU MARU.

FRIDAY, December 19.
Australia and Manila—Per NIKKO MARU.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, December 12.
Macao—Per SUI AN, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per HAICHING, Noon.

Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 2 p.m.

Haiphong, Saigon, Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via MARSEILLES—Per SPHINX, Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 1.30 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per INABA MARU, 4 p.m.

Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 4.30 p.m.

Haiphong and Haiphong—Per TAKSANG, 5 p.m.

Formosa, via Keelung—Per HEIWA MARU, 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, December 13.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Canada, United States, Central and South America, and EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—Per FUS HIMI MARU, Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.

Macao—Per SUI TAI, 1.30 p.m.

Philippine Islands—Per TAMING, 2 p.m.

Macao—Per CHUEN CHOW, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per TEAN, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, December 14.
Macao—Per SUI AN, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow via Keelung—Per KAIYUKU MARU, 9 a.m.

MONDAY, December 15.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via SUEZ—Per EUNADES, Registration 8.00 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Saturday, Dec. 13, at 5 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per CHIPSHING, 4 p.m.

TUESDAY, December 16.
Swatow and Bangkok—Per LUCHOW, 8 a.m.

Swatow, Shanghai and North China—Per SHANTUNG, 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per QUINNEBAUG, 11 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, December 17.
Haiphong, Saigon, Haiphong—Per KAIYUKU, 9 a.m.

THURSDAY, December 18.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via MARSEILLES—Per MISHIMA MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

FRIDAY, December 19.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per HAICHING, Noon.

SATURDAY, December 20.
Japan via Nagasaki—Per NIKKO MARU, 10 a.m.

WEDNESDAY, December 24.
Philippine Islands, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per TANGO MARU, Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.

FRIDAY, December 26.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via MARSEILLES—Per SAO MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

TUESDAY, December 30.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per KAMO MARU, 10 a.m.

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The s.s. AGAPENOR, due here Dec. 28 and sails for Shanghai and Japan Dec. 29.

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The s.s. LAOMEDON, due here Jan. 6 and sails for Japan Jan. 7.

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FROM JAPAN.

The s.s. ARRATON APCAR, leaves Kobe Dec. 4 and is due here via Moji Dec. 11.

The s.s. MISHIMA MARU, leaves Yokohama November 29 and is due here via Kobe, Moji and Shanghai December 12.

The s.s. TEUCER, leaves Yokohama Dec. 2 and is due here Dec. 17.

The s.s. IDOMENEUS, leaves Yokohama Dec. 8 and is due here Dec. 23.

The s.s. SAO MARU, leaves Yokohama December 12 and is due here via Japan ports and Shanghai December 26.

The s.s. TYDEUS, leaves Kobe Dec. 24 and is due here Jan. 6.

The s.s. NELEUS, leaves Yokohama Dec. 23 and is due here Jan. 6.

The s.s. KITANO MARU, leaves Yokohama December 28 and is due here January 8.

The s.s. TEIRESIAS, leaves Yokohama Jan. 3 and is due here Jan. 20.

FROM SHANGHAI.

The s.s. ARNA, leaves Shanghai Dec. 17 and is due here about Dec. 22.

The s.s. KNIGHT TEMPLAR, leaves Shanghai Dec. 19 and is due here Dec. 22.

The s.s. ONPA, leaves Shanghai Jan. 17 and is due here Jan. 22.

FROM MANILA.

The s.s. IXION, leaves Manila Jan. 8 and is due here Jan. 15.

FROM AUSTRALIA.

The s.s. NIKKO MARU, left Sydney Nov. 23 and is due here via Manila Dec. 19.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Caddopah* (Shanghai/Calcutta Line) sailed from Manila on the 9th instant, and will arrive at this Port on Saturday, December 13.

The P. & O. B. I. & A. L. s.s. *Dongola* left Singapore for this Port on the 10th instant at 9 a.m., and is due here on the 15th instant at about noon.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Huachan* (Bombay Line) left Kobe for this Port via Moji on the 8th Dec., and is expected here on the 15th Dec.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Yokohama on Dec. 9, a.m., left there Dec. 9, noon, was due at Kobe on Dec. 10, a.m., and is due at Hongkong on Dec. 21.

Latest Advice.

The P. & O. B. I. & A. L. s.s. *Japan* left Singapore for this Port on the 8th instant at 9 a.m., and is due here on the 15th instant.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Awa Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this Port via Moji and Shanghai on the 8th Dec., and is expected here on the 14th Dec.

The C. M. S. S. Co's s.s. *Nile* sailed from Yokohama on December 9, and may be expected to arrive in Hongkong on December 16.

The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Yokohama on Dec. 4, left there Dec. 8, noon, and is due at Vancouver on Dec. 15.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Mishima Maru* (European Line) left Kobe for this Port via Moji and Shanghai on the 8th Dec., and is expected here on the 17th Dec.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Kaiyuku Maru* (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this Port on the 9th Dec., and is expected here on the 18th Dec.

The N.Y.K